

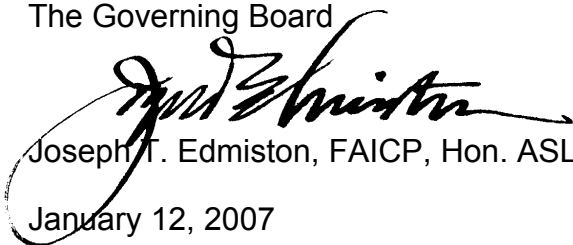


## MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** The Governing Board

**FROM:**  Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Officer

**DATE:** January 12, 2007

**SUBJECT:** **Agenda Item X: Consideration of resolution authorizing application to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for an augmentation of grant SMM-0463 for the Vista Hermosa Watershed Restoration project exercising certain additive alternates from the original bid.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing application to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy for an augmentation of grant SMM-0463 in the amount of \$2,369,300 for the Vista Hermosa Watershed Restoration project exercising certain additive alternates from the original bid.

Background: The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy (SMMC) has previously authorized Proposition 50 funds to the MRCA for the construction of the Vista Hermosa Los Angeles River Watershed Restoration Project. At the time a contract was executed with the construction contractor, MRCA was given the option to exercise additive alternates by January 2007 without incurring additional costs. The MRCA wishes to exercise this option at this time. The requested funding will allow the addition of the following elements: additional restroom, park building, playground elements, additional plant material, and outdoor amphitheater.

Additional funding for the project has already been secured from the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District, the Los Angeles Unified School District, private donors, an SMMC Proposition 12 grant, a City of Los Angeles Proposition K grant to LAUSD, and a Community Development Block Grant from the City of Los Angeles.